

Job Description

Job Title: Senior Utility Analyst - Accountant - OUCC Natural Gas Division
Job ID: 598070
Apply Before: 09/11/2015
Location: Marion County
Full/Part Time: Full-Time
Regular/Temporary: Regular **Salary:** \$52,000.00
City/County/St: Indianapolis, Marion County, IN

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This Senior Utility Analyst serves as an Accountant to assist as an OUCC advocate for utility customers in matters before the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC") by applying accounting principles and practices, and performing reviews of utility operations.

OUCC staff accountants are required to analyze and write testimony regarding capital expenditures, depreciation expenses, operation and maintenance expenses, property taxes, pretax returns, debt and equity financing, capital structures, and ensure cost allocations are the same as in the utility's last base rate case. This position reports directly to the Natural Gas Division Director.

Responsibilities:

This position works as a professional analyst for the Agency responsible for:

- Expected to serve primarily as a skilled technical witness in utility ratemaking, and matters of public policy
- Develop skilled, technical opinions through analyses of all relevant utility applications, petitions, testimony, schedules, and exhibits
- Gather information through data requests, onsite audits and other research methods as necessary
- Summarize large amounts of data and testimony
- Draw conclusions from research to build case foundations and contribute to case development
- Prepare high-quality, persuasive testimony and exhibits to support OUCC case positions
- Develops and recommends case strategy
- Serve as case team leader
- Serve as a significant contributor responsible for addressing multiple issues
- Consistently provide strong, credible, articulate oral testimony under cross-examination at public hearings
- Assist other OUCC staff with projects while maintaining regular personal workload
- Anticipate issues and develop alternatives in advance

- Take appropriate decisive action to achieve agency and division goals and objectives
 - Work with multi-disciplinary project teams that may include attorneys, economists, accountants, engineers, and other specialists
 - Proactively maintain required level of professional knowledge through timely review of modifications to principles, standards, federal and state laws, and legal decisions
 - Duties are performed with moderate supervision, and require self-motivation, discipline, and initiative
 - Ability to perform duties in a confidential and professional manner
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Preferred Experience:

Bachelor's degree in accounting with a minimum of five (5) years agency or industrial experience.

- Master's degree in Accounting and CPA certification is preferred
 - Must demonstrate initiative and judgment and routinely handle a large complex workload commensurate with being a Senior Utility Analyst
 - Ability to make objective and well-reasoned recommendations
 - Possess strong written and verbal skills
 - Ability to work independently and in teams to meet deadlines
 - Ability to produce work product in a well-organized manner
 - Extensive computer skills in Microsoft Office products
 - Ability to understand detailed cost of service and rate design studies
 - Ability to summarize and communicate complex technical issues
 - Ability to work under stressful and occasionally adversarial conditions, such as under cross-examination and short timelines
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Additional Comments:

Work is usually performed in an office environment. However, occasional on-site field trips to utility facilities will be required. Intra-state, and some inter-state travel, is required.

Benefits:

The State of Indiana offers a comprehensive benefit package which includes medical, dental, vision, life insurance, retirement plans and accrued leave.

Equal Employment Opportunity:

The State of Indiana is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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